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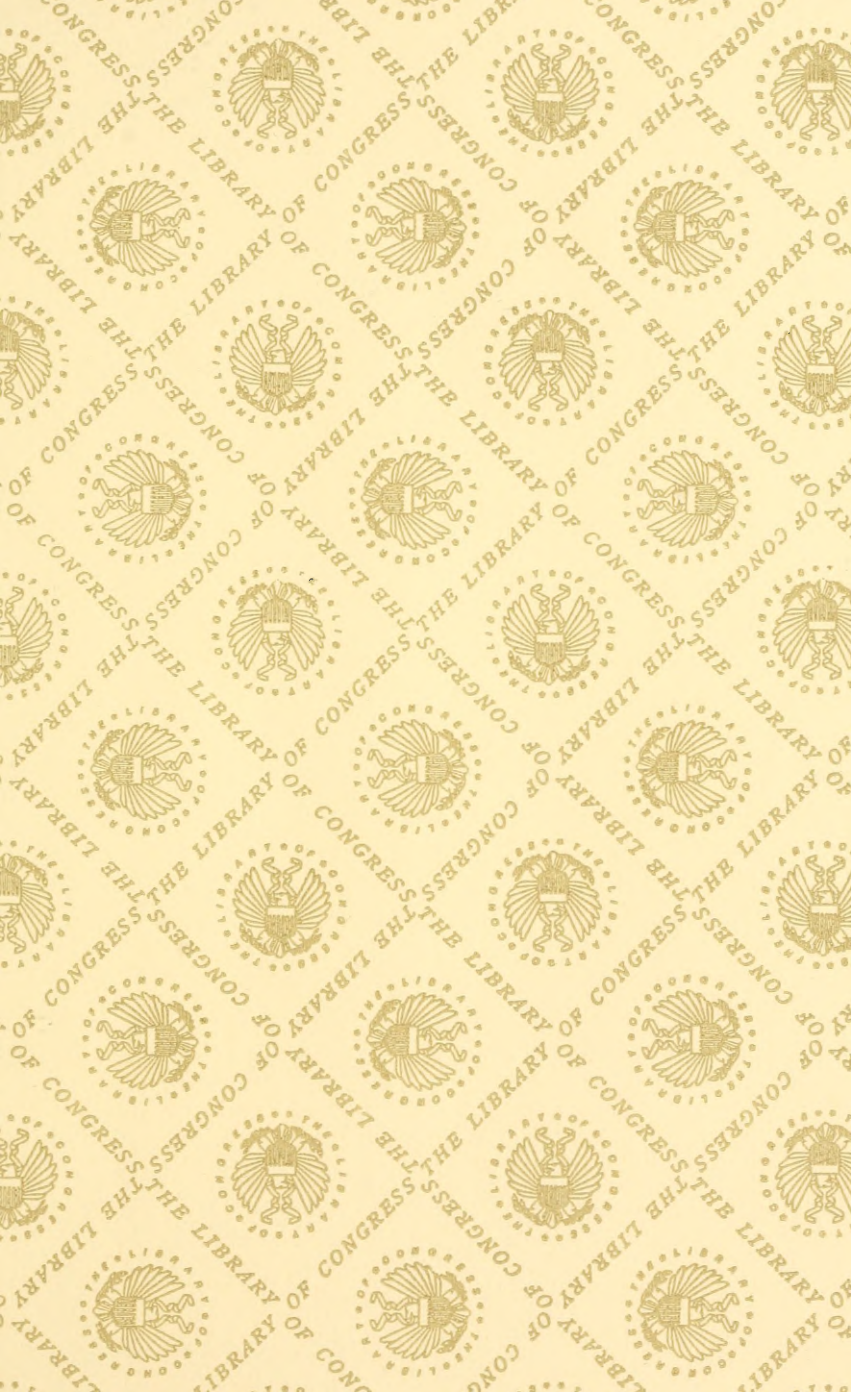
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Wisteria

A Cluster of Clambering Halforisms



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TO MY DEAR MOTHER

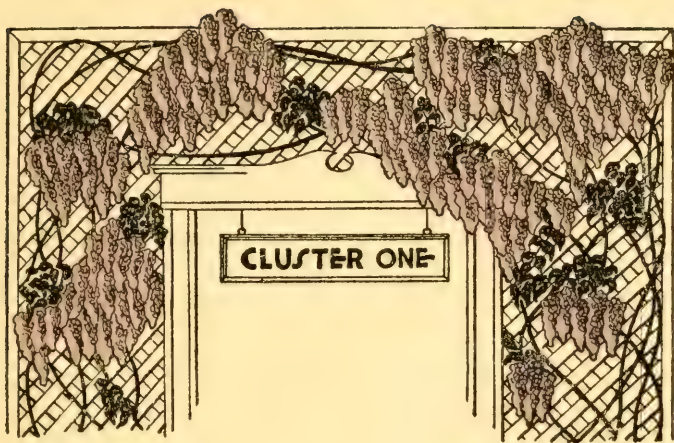
who taught me at her knee many
great axioms and principles of life,
this bunch of Wisteria is lovingly
dedicated.

A WORD TO THE WISE AVOIDS MISUNDERSTANDING

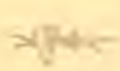
Truth is elusive. We try to grasp it with words and phrases but after the struggle is over, we find that the body has escaped and we have left in our hands but a rag a hair, or a bit of tangled thread. Believing that the truth has only half been told in many ancient and honorable proverbs and maxims, I have attempted to set forth here the other and what often seems to be the better half.

In addition, I have introduced, now and then, some aphorisms and laughorisms which have tickled the palates of generous friends. For the latter, I extend to the serious reader my humble apologies.

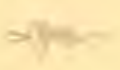
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Make way for the sunshine.




You can lead a fool to wisdom but
you can't make him think.

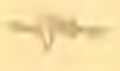


Too many cooks spoil the brotherhood:

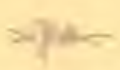
A stitch in time saves thread.



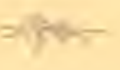
Vain heart ne'er won sane lady.



Crying over spilt milk may inspire
caution.



Early to bed, early to rise make a man
healthier and wealthier than wise.



It is often too late to mend insinuating
gossip.

Love before you leap.

Seeing is believing only for the shallow gazer; the greatest things of the world are invisible.

All things come to him who waits not too long.

The poorest hour is just before the pawn.

Religion begins at home.

All is not gold that matters.

Where wisdom is bliss it's folly to be ignorant.

A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches.

Nearness lends enchantment when true friends meet.

An ounce of goodwill is worth a pound of shrapnel.

Victors' spoils spoil victory.

He who hesitates is saved from
inaccuracy, snap-judgment and all
the evils of hasty action.

We'll never miss the liquor when the
barrel runs dry.

Two heads are better than ten when
decision is imperative.

Every bride has a silver pining.

Haste makes progress.

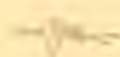
The way of transgressors is soured.

Where there is no revision, the creed
perishes.

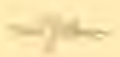
A conviction in hand is better than
beating around the bush.

Marry in haste; divorce at Reno

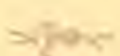
In unity there is teamwork.



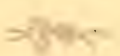
A carrot is known by its root; a drummer is known by his suit.



It's a good peace-wind that blows no nation ill.



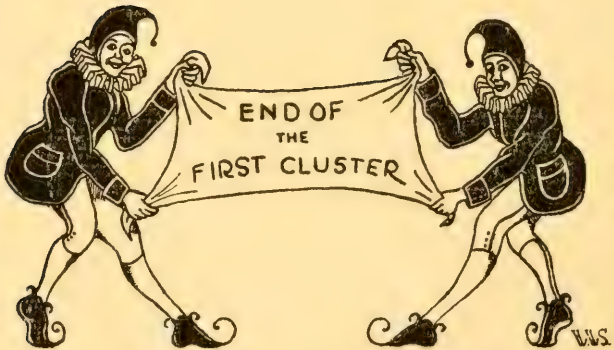
When equals are added to inequals, the sums are impossible.

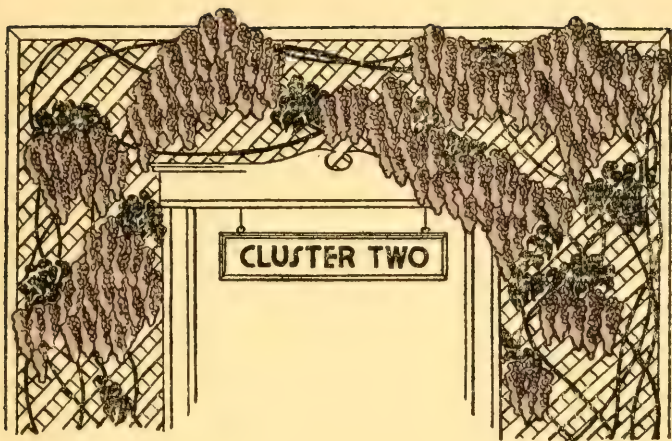


One swallow doesn't make a summer, but one is perilous.

Honesty is the best politics.

A going church gathers no moss-backs.





Better mate than never.

It's a short life that has no turning toward a larger, unselfish outlook on the world.

Slide goeth before a fall.

Overcome evil with God.

A miss is as good as a hit when the next one is trained on your dugout.

Ventilation is next to Godliness.

One touch of avarice makes the whole world sin; one touch of humor makes the whole world grin.

Think twice and you'll probably not speak.

Where there's fight there's hope.

Don't put all your eggs into one basket;
they'll spoil each other.

All's well that ends well if the means
to the end are worthy.

There's something new under the moon.

Laugh where the world can hear you;
weep when you weep, alone.

A wise father maketh a glad son.

Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging, and
whosoever is deceived by the mercenary
opponents of Prohibition is not wise.

Some people live as though good's
spelled God.

There are not many sips 'twixt slip
and slip.

A lot of learning is a dangerous thing.

Coming regents cast their shadows before.

No man is defeated until he admits it; no man
has won until some one else admits it.

Home isn't built in a day.

Tis better to have loved and won; if
one would love at all.

Live and help live.

They win that laugh.

One knot to the left and your ship
will sail into a strange port.

Two wrongs make not a right but a riot.

Never cross bridges until you come to
them; you may have to swim.

It never rains but it clears.

True love always runs smooth.

Don't kick a man when he's down; lift him first.

A straight line is the shortest distance between home and church.

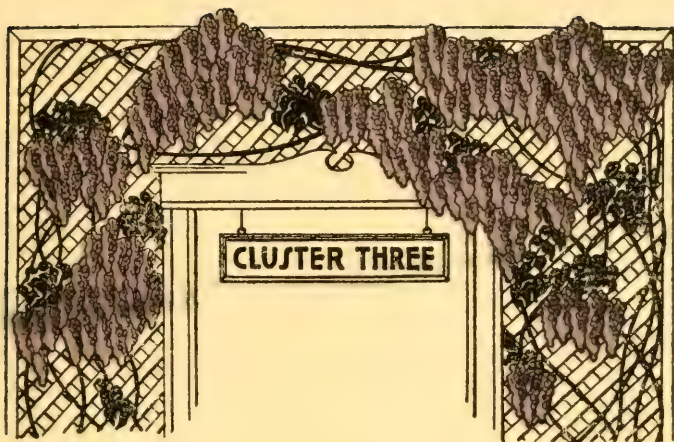
Every dogma has its day; every dogmatist has his dangers.

"Let well enough alone" draws the dead one to the drone.

When poverty knocks at the door, close
the windows.

Life is worth living because it is
worth loving.





To wrong is human, to confess divine.

You are never too old to learn the
meaning of life.

Where your treasure is, there is
your pleasure also.

A new wife sweeps clean.



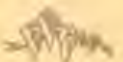
The careless bird catches the germ.



In times of peace prepare for peace.



Behold how great a gossip a little
word kindleth.



Dead churches move slowly.

Familiarity breeds friendship.

Wisteria is derived from the bean family
and so is closely related to the nut.

A cat may look at her husband.

Neither love nor war makes foul meth-
ods fair.

Misunderstanding is the strife of life.

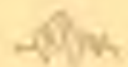
The Lord helps him who helps his brother.



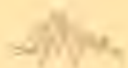
Where there's a will there's a way.



Plan for tomorrow, today will take care
of itself



If you make your bed you must lie in
it; but don't oversleep.



Politicians always come home to boost.

Stock exchange is mere robbery.

Beggars should not be boozers.

Happiness loves company.

Whom therefore God hath put asunder
let no man join together

Beauty is not skin-deep; it's soul-deep.





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